

## CITY'S OFFER REFUSED BY GAS PLANT OWNERS

Finance Committee Would Buy Henrico Plant for Price of \$143,000.  
REJECT ARBITRATION BOARD  
Councilmen Refuse to Appoint Men to Set Figure—Proprietors Would Accept Amount of \$175,000 Named by Director Trafford.

All hopes of the city purchasing the Henrico gas plant, which appeared bright last night when the Council Finance Committee's offer of \$143,000 for the plant, main and meters of the plant was refused by Attorney A. H. Sands, representing the owners. A motion picture of the plant, showing the estimate placed by Director of Public Utilities Trafford on the value of the property which the city could use, was defeated by a vote of five to four. The motion picture, showing the plant, was presented by the company's representative, who passed by a vote of eight to one, Colonel Barton Grundy casting the only dissenting vote.

Director of Public Utilities Trafford estimated the cost price to the Henrico Gas Company of the property, which was proposed to be purchased by the city, at \$143,000. The committee instantly seized on these figures as the basis of the amount which they would pay for the property. No interest, increase of the value of property, or other costs were included in the \$143,000.

State Corporation Commission Engineer J. C. Dickerman appeared before the committee and estimated the cost of the main, meters and pipe lines near the figure which Mr. Trafford had set.

Morgan Mills, a member of the committee, read a statement which he had acquired to the effect that the cost of gas pipe had increased 150 per cent since the year 1912, when the company went into business.

Would Accept \$175,000.  
The proposition offered by Attorney Sands for \$175,000. When the offer was rejected, Mr. Sands said: "There may be a time when the company will have to take what they can get, but that time has not come yet. We are willing to sell for the price which your own experts put upon the property as a valuation. Mr. Trafford says the property is worth \$175,000. Mr. Dickerman says it is higher. We sold gas to consumers during the war at a cost less than production, which caused us a loss of \$18,000, and we have made the city more than \$10,000 taxes. The whole cost to us has been \$28,000. I ask that you refer the matter of the price of the plant to a board of arbitration to set the price, naming Director Trafford, Mr. Dickerman and three others."

Refuse Arbitration Plan.  
The plan to arbitrate was rejected. After this statement and discussion of the matter the committee voted to offer, which was promptly rejected. The inconvenience and suffering which citizens would be put to from a probable inadequate supply of gas, a prominent part in the discussion. North side citizens present declared that immediate action would probably be taken by the North Side Civic Association in regard to a solution of the problem.

## NORTH SIDE CITIZENS DECIDE ON ROUTE TO BE IMPROVED

Propose City Buy Monteiro to Poe From Poe to the North Side, Thence to Brookland Boulevard.

Citizens of North Side last night after an hour's discussion and debate decided by an almost unanimous vote, to have improved the route beginning at Monteiro Avenue, extending to Poe Street, from Poe Street to North Avenue and from North Avenue to Brookland Boulevard.

Representatives from the Brookland Park Citizens Association also attended the meeting and expressed their opinion as to the most logical street to be improved. The committee decided to improve the route from Monteiro Avenue to Poe Street, from Poe Street to North Avenue and from North Avenue to Brookland Boulevard.

## SEEK CANNED PINEAPPLES TO SELL CONSUMERS HERE

Post-Office Officials Would Increase Variety of Stamps to Be Offered From Richmond.

Inquiries were mailed yesterday by postal officials to the War Department requesting that the Richmond post-office be allowed an amount of pineapples (containing no alcohol) to be offered to Richmonders for sale through the postal service. It is known that the department had a quantity of the articles mentioned for sale and on the requisition list for Richmond mail when the sales here were first started these articles were mentioned. It was later found that the canned pineapples, jam and soap did not appear on the daily lists and no orders for them were accepted.

## OPPOSE COUNTY ROAD TAX

Kiwanis Club Urges All Levees Be Used for State Highway System Exclusively.

Resolutions, urging that all taxes levied by the special session of the General Assembly to road purposes be used for State highway only, were adopted last night by the Kiwanis Club. A motion picture was presented, showing that the Richmond representatives in the assembly be informed as to the club's position.

Members of the Richmond Rotary Club will hold their bi-weekly meeting tonight in the rooms of the Kiwanis Club at 615 o'clock. New members will be introduced and several matters of routine business will be disposed of.

Accused of Meat Theft.  
On the charge of stealing meat valued at \$25.60 from George McSwain's, Clarence Moore, colored, was arrested last night and taken to the First Police Station.

## Today and Tonight in Richmond

Edmond de Valera, president of Irish republic, arrives at Broad Street Station at 7:15.  
Luncheon for De Valera party and guests at 2:30.  
Address by De Valera, City Auditorium, at 8:15.  
General Assembly in session at Capitol.  
Curry Street merchants' picnic at Clark's Springs.  
Auxiliary of Grays' Association, Gray's Armory at 8.  
Kearney Workers, W. C. T. U., home Mrs. Margaret Smith, 531, Highland Springs, at 7:30.  
Picnic, King's Daughters of Fifth Street Baptist Church (colored), at Ashland.

## CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Bone Bone, who gave his address as Norfolk, was examined yesterday in Police Court on the charge of transporting ardent spirits, and was sent on to the grand jury.

J. A. Wilson was fined \$50 yesterday when brought before Justice Crutcher on the charge of conducting a disorderly house and gambling at 811 East Franklin Street. Ten others were each on the charge of participating.

Robert Morris, colored, who was in Police Court on the charge of abetting in an assault on a woman, was fined \$100 and placed under bond of \$100 for sixty days.

Only one violation of the Sunday law against the city was reported Sunday. It was in the case of a woman who was fined \$100 and placed under bond of \$100 for sixty days.

Mrs. F. E. Leake, in Police Court yesterday on the charge of driving an automobile while under the influence of intoxicants, was granted a continuance until September 1, to give her time to call witnesses.

Lieutenant John Newton Hardy, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hardy, of Richmond, was reported yesterday by his parents as having been killed in action with the army of occupation until recently.

Children of the John Robinson fresh air school, who were on a picnic at Ashland, were reported yesterday by their parents as having been killed in action with the army of occupation until recently.

Mrs. Robert F. Hudson, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Richmond Grays' Association, was reported yesterday by her husband as having been killed in action with the army of occupation until recently.

Records filed yesterday in the Chancery Court show that Mrs. Blanche J. Ratcliffe has sold the brick residence at 254 Monument Avenue to Juliet W. Cannon. The sale is for \$10,000. H. M. Stuart has sold the corner of Grove Avenue and Boulevard to an unnamed party. The year of this lot for a consideration said to be \$10,000.

J. Taylor Robinson, assistant principal of John Marshall High School, and teacher of mathematics, has tendered his resignation to the School Board. He has been in the service of the school for many years. His resignation is said to be due to his removal from the faculty and board. His successor is expected to be announced this week.

Delegates to the convention of the grand lodge of Colored Elks of the World, held at the Hotel Richmond, were reported yesterday by their hosts as having been killed in action with the army of occupation until recently.

The Fifth Street Baptist Bulletin, a colored church newspaper, published under the auspices of the Fifth Street Baptist Church, is said to be a valuable paper. It is published weekly and is said to be a valuable paper.

Fred L. O'Leary was arraigned in Police Court yesterday morning charged with carrying and concealing a dangerous weapon. He was released on \$100 bond.

The annual election of officers of the Eastern Star Chapter 123, held at the Hotel Richmond, was reported yesterday by the hosts as having been killed in action with the army of occupation until recently.

Urges Veterans to Wear SOME IDENTIFICATION MARK  
P. C. Whitworth, who fought under Stuart, anxious to meet his Old Comrades.

Fifty years makes a heap of difference in men's appearances. What were smooth-shaven youngsters in 1864 are now gray-haired men. It is said that the veterans who attended the reunion at Harrisonburg on September 2 and 3 had a distinguishing mark indicating their old comrades. Mr. Whitworth is in Richmond as the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Ada Bunting, 123 South Street.

He is anxious to meet those of his old comrades who are left. He wants to tell them of his life and of the part he played in the war. He wants to tell them of his life and of the part he played in the war.

## BURY POLICEMAN TODAY

Funeral Services for G. M. Harmon to Be Held at 1 o'clock at Leigh Street Baptist Church.

Escorted by a squad of mounted police and his horse draped in mourning, the body of G. M. Harmon, twenty-five years old, died Sunday morning as the result of a bullet of abduction following a shot wound he received while in the discharge of his duty. He was killed at 10:30 a. m. in Oakwood Cemetery.

Funeral services will be conducted from Leigh Street Baptist Church at 1 o'clock by Rev. Joseph N. Barker, assisted by Rev. M. B. Porter, pastor of Fairmount Presbyterian Church. Police Captain Harmon was one of the youngest members of the police and his loss is keenly regretted by his comrades.

Police officers who were selected by Police Captain Harmon before his death are Sergeant W. H. Whitlock, R. C. Bowers, John Wood, John Buck, Frank Brown, C. C. Ford, Jack Maxie and Frank Brown.

Bail Three Negro Women  
Frio Is Charged With Using Mails to Defraud Mail-Order Houses.

Annie M. Johnson, Lillie M. Johnson and Ida M. Johnson, colored, of Beaver Dam, Va., were bailed yesterday by United States Commissioner J. C. Dickerman for their appearance in federal court on the charge of defrauding mail-order houses by misrepresenting and mislabeling statements of the goods which they had sent through the mails, which they had not done, and that goods sent them had been lost when they had been received. It is also charged that the women varied their names occasionally.

## ASKS HIGHER STANDARD OF DENTAL EFFICIENCY

Dr. Seymour B. Ward Addresses Opening Session of State Dentists' Convention.

WOULD EDUCATE CLIENTELE  
Proposes Campaign Showing Value of Clean Teeth and Mouths in Children and Adults—Prominent Surgeons Here.

Raising the standard of dental efficiency and the enlightenment of clients, especially children, by a state-wide campaign of hygiene of the teeth were the keynote of the address of Dr. Seymour Blair Ward, of Belle Haven, president of the Virginia State Dental Association, at the opening of the fiftieth annual convention at the Medical College of Virginia last night.

"Every trade, business and profession has felt the upheaval of the war," he said, "and dentistry is no exception. This is no doubt the most strenuous period of our professional history. Recognition and honors have come to us to a greater degree perhaps than we had reason to so soon expect. With these, however, have come added responsibilities. As individuals members of our profession, must face squarely. To do this it is necessary to lose sight of ourselves and to give the best there is of ourselves to the service of the community. Those who unthinkingly have problems that face us as dentists."

Urges Greater Efforts.  
"As we today, are reaping and absorbing the benefits of the faithful labors of those who unthinkingly gave their time, so let us strive to do greater things for the betterment and uplift of our profession."

Teach that health, clean mouths and sound teeth promote efficiency. It is my estimation that this will in time go far toward the solution of our social and other problems of aseptic reconstruction.

Dr. Ward urged that an oral hygiene committee be authorized and one be appointed for the launching of a campaign for public instruction as to better teeth.

The opening session last night was begun by invocation by Dr. George F. Keese, of Richmond, who was followed by Dr. R. L. Simpson, also of Richmond, who delivered the address of welcome. Dr. W. G. Delp, of Rural Retreat, in fitting phrases responded to the welcoming address.

Leading Surgeons Here.  
Among the distinguished dental surgeons who are conducting courses during the convention are Dr. Theodore H. Orton, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Dr. A. L. Gray, of Richmond.

The convention will be in progress all the week, coming to a close on Saturday.

The session tomorrow night will be devoted entirely to business matters. Reports of the treasurer and of the executive committee for the past year will be heard. The members will be elected and other items of business will be discussed and acted upon.

## TAX ON WAGONS URGED BY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Members of Streets Body to Ask Assembly to Levy Tax on Motor Cars.

The Streets Committee of the City Council yesterday adopted a resolution to send a communication to the General Assembly asking that a tax be placed upon horse-drawn vehicles, as well as motor cars. Members of the committee declared that much advantage was gained by the farmer by good roads and that wagons destroyed roads as much as motor cars. It was asserted that the present exemption of the country was a great extent exempted the farmer from road tax and threw the burden on the shoulders of the city. It was directed to draw up the motion and forward it to the Legislature.

The question of placing of Woodland Heights came before the committee, but it was referred to the question of Public Works, which the City Attorney. It was decided to call the attention of the city to the fact that several lots which have been sold at auction and are in the middle of the streets and many streets running through creek beds and gulches. Several other matters, which came before the committee were continued.

## VACCINATE PUPILS TODAY

Health Officials Expect to Care for Large Number of Students During This Week.

Arrangements to vaccinate all children presenting themselves at the vaccination school have been finished, and work will begin at 10 o'clock today. Health officials expect a large number of children to take advantage of the opportunity offered, because of the growing realization among all citizens of the great value of preventing disease by vaccination.

The free vaccination offer was decided upon a few days ago by health officials for today and tomorrow, so that the school classes of children will not be interfered with once classes are taken up this fall.

## FARMERS' UNION ON OUTING

Fairfield Organization to Hear Address of State President A. B. Thornhill.

The Fairfield Farmers' Union will hold an all-day picnic tomorrow at Fairfield Church. A. B. Thornhill, State president of the organization, and James H. Quisenberry, of Louisa County, district agent in Louisa County, are among those on the program for addresses. About 200 farmers and dairymen are expected to attend the picnic.

## Growing Concerns

Prepare today to meet the needs of tomorrow, and this demands that their banking connections be chosen with the future requirements of business in mind. The National State and City is always willing to help meritorious enterprises when backed by satisfactory "rating" for honorableness and integrity. Come in and tell us your business problems, and we may be able to assist you in the growth of your business.

## National State and City Bank

Eleven-Eleven East Main.

## TELLS OF EXPERIENCES AMONG BALKAN PEOPLE

Major Alexander Forward Addresses Get-Together Club Members at Y. M. C. A.

CITY OF SALONIKI DESCRIBED  
Member of Red Cross Commission Says Citizens There Have Never Paid Taxes, and Land Sales Are Often Decided by Bullets.

East and West have met and the dregs of the Orient and the Occident are to be found in Saloniki, Greece, said Major Alexander Forward, of the State Corporation Commission, in an address on the Balkan States before the Get-Together Club of the Young Men's Christian Association last night. He described that city of polyglot population, on whose streets swarm representatives of all the peoples of earth, in bewildering variety of costume and manners and customs. Military operations there, which resulted in wiping out two Bulgarian armies in the offensive of last September, breaking the back of the Central empire, brought together all the types of Europe, Asia and Africa, refugees from war-swept lands and members and hangers-on of the armies of Great Britain, France, Italy, Greece and Serbia.

Never Pay Land Taxes.  
The happy people of Saloniki, asserted Major Forward, have never paid taxes since the time of the city's 2,000 years ago. The expense of operating the municipal government, with such public improvements as have been made, have been defrayed from the revenues of the port. Car fare there costs five lepta, or slightly less than one cent. Nor are the people troubled with deeds to evidence property transfers or with lawsuits over property limits. If one wishes to buy a lot or a piece of land, he goes to the city hall and purchases what he sees, and in the event of a dispute over boundaries the parties shoot each other to settle it. These conditions are now to be changed as the result of allied control, which is levying taxes for improvements, which will require a reorganization of property lines.

Describes Relief Work.  
Major Forward sketched his work as director of supplies for the American Red Cross Commission to the Balkans. These supplies were secured from America and from Red Cross stores in France and Italy. Difficulties of transportation were great, both by rail and by water, and at times the obstacles seemed insurmountable. At Plumb, a New York warehouse, he found 1,000 miles long, fed in some instances by ships specially chartered for use by the Balkan commission, and in others by cargo space secured in any sort of ship sailing eastward, solved the problem.

Many humorous incidents were related, brought about by differences in languages and customs. Prisoners were employed to do most of the labor, giving rise to many amusing episodes.

## WALKER TO BE CANDIDATE FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Senator From Northumberland to Be Running Mate of B. Frank Buchanan in 1922.

Senator C. Harding Walker, president pro tempore of the Senate, of which he has been a member for more than twenty years, announced yesterday that he would be a candidate in the Democratic primary of 1922 for nomination to the office of Lieutenant-Governor of Virginia.

The other avowed aspirant for the position is Senator J. E. Webb, of Suffolk, who declared several weeks ago that he would enter the lists for second place on the State ticket. Their running mate for party honors will be Lieutenant-Governor B. Frank Buchanan. He has said that, at the proper time, he will announce himself a candidate for Governor.

Senator Walker played a prominent part in the deliberations of the convention of 1901 and 1903, which framed the present Constitution of Virginia, and is considered now the authority in that body on the subject of amendments to the constitution. He declined to stand for re-election to the Senate, and will succeed in that body by Colonel Downing.

The district Senator Walker represents is composed of the counties of King, George, Stafford, Westmoreland, Lancaster and Northumberland.

## CAPTAIN G. B. WEST BACK

Officer Served With Third Division and Now Is Back to South America.

Mrs. Esther Wheelwright West left yesterday for Norfolk, where she will join her husband, Captain George Brooks West, who arrived from overseas on the ship "The Perfect Lover" in New York on Saturday morning. Captain West gave up his practice in Norfolk in the early spring of 1917 to join the military corps of the Twenty-ninth Division, which was in training at Annapolis, Md., prior to going overseas. He was subsequently transferred to the Third Division and commissioned captain, and has for several months past been stationed with the army of occupation at Cologne. It is probable that Captain West will go to South America for service in Brazil. After spending a few days with his parents in Norfolk, Captain West will accompany his wife on a visit to the homes of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Wheelwright, at Backhead Springs, in Chesterfield County.

## Brickbat Fight Aligned.

A. L. Enoch, forty-eight years old, 3227 Seventh Street, Fulton, and J. L. Hickey, thirty-seven years old, 212 Street, both white men, were arrested yesterday on the charge of assaulting each other with bricks. They were held for their appearance in Police Court.

## REX—Today SHORTY HAMILTON

IN "SNAIL"  
A Big Western Comedy Added.

## Blue Bird

Last Showing Today  
WILLIAM DESMOND  
In "BARE-FISTED GALLAGHER"  
In Which Good-Natured, Tender-Hearted Wins His Battle With Smiles and Two Flats.  
Comedy and News Added.

# Miller & Rhoads

## "The Shopping Center"

# Showing of New Hats for Autumn

We sketch a "Tam" from "Andrea"—a clever affair of black Lyons Velvet with smart coque feathers aptly placed at one side.

Coque and heckle breasts, sprays and pompons promise to be much in evidence this season, by the way.

The collection of New Fall Hats also includes:

Wide-brimmed picture models in velvet and hatters' plush, trimmed under the brim with ribbon frills, knots of feathers or curled coque ends.

Notable in the newest Hats of the season is subtle soft lines—crushed velvets and panne—coquettishly flaring in "off the face" models, or gracefully encircled by sweeping ostrich plumes, or softly draped in smart, close-fitting turbans—such are the Hats for Autumn, 1919.

A visit to our Millinery Salon will prove a most interesting occasion, now.

Second Floor, Central.

# A Woman's Sweater

"New"—yes, indeed—and we're just so positive it's one of the prettiest yet, we shall listen to hear the favorable comments sure to be passed by visitors when we give it its first showing tomorrow morning.

It's a new Sweater for women—a "slipover"—one of those warm, woolly, practical sorts, but with ever so much style. For it is short and full at the bottom and has a smart sailor-like collar at the back and front.

Shown in three attractive combinations:

Nile, edged with Black.  
Turquoise, edged with Black.  
Salmon, edged with Black.

And the price is but \$5.48. Second Floor—East.

### Confederate Museum

Twelfth and Clay Streets.  
Open Daily: 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.  
ADMISSION - - - 25 Cents

### ROOF GARDEN

HOTEL RICHMOND  
NOW OPEN.  
Meyer David Jazz Band Orchestra  
From Washington, D. C.  
Music and Dancing 8 P. M. to Midnight.  
Including War Tax.

### IS IS

Now Showing  
Alice Joyce  
IN  
"THE THIRD DEGREE"  
Special Comedy

### BIJOU

Again Today  
Dorothy Gish  
IN  
"Nobody Home"  
It's a Pippin!

### VICTOR

Two Days More  
NORMA TALMADGE  
IN  
"The Forbidden City"

### ODEON

Today—10c  
VIOLA DANA  
IN  
"The Parisian Tigress"  
Also Comedy

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### COLONIAL

Again Today  
June Caprice  
AND  
Creighton Hale  
IN  
"THE LOVE CHEAT"  
Also Kinogram

### COMING! IS IS

THE BIRTH OF A RACE  
HERE NEXT WEEK